



San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission

Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Friday, July 18, 2025
9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

In-Person Participation

Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District
18027 Calle Ambiente, Suite 101, Cielo Boardroom
Rancho Santa Fe, California 92067

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The Special Districts Advisory Committee is responsible for helping to inform the Commission on all germane items relating to San Diego LAFCO's regulatory and planning responsibilities affecting special districts.

The Committee will hold the July 18, 2025 meeting in person at the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District, Cielo Boardroom (18027 Calle Ambiente, Suite 101, Rancho Santa Fe, California 92067). In person attendance by the public is welcomed. The public may also watch, listen, and otherwise participate in the meeting remotely by any of the following options.

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 - a) The public may provide eComments on any item by emailing erica.sellen@sdcounty.ca.gov
 - eComments received before 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 17, 2025, will be forwarded to the Committee and posted online before the meeting. They will also be referenced during the meeting.
 - eComments received during the meeting and before the subject item is concluded will be referenced and later posted online.

The Committee may proceed with the meeting, even where there is a disruption that prevents the Committee from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public or from receiving public comment from members of the public using a call-in option or internet-based service option, unless such disruption prevents a member of the Committee is participating under Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e) or (f).

1. 9:30 A.M. – CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR

- a) Roll Call
- b) Pledge Of Allegiance

2. AGENDA REVIEW BY CHAIR

3. OPEN EXPRESSION

This time is reserved for any member of the public to address the Committee on germane topics that are not directly part of the agenda. This includes requests for future Committee topics. Individuals are limited to three minutes.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

a) Approval of Meeting Minutes for April 18, 2025 (action)

The Committee will consider draft summary minutes prepared for the last meeting held on April 18, 2025. Staff recommends approval as presented. (Pages 5-12)

b) Progress Report on 2025-2026 Workplan (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the adopted workplan and activities related to the 30 special projects scheduled for 2025-2026. Information only. (Pages 13-24)

c) Policy Amendments |

Commission Approved Special Districts Advisory Committee Rules (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the recently approved amendments to its formal rules. These amendments were presented to the Commission at its June 2, 2025 meeting – following the Committee’s approval in April – and received approval with a few modifications. Information only. (Pages 25-34)

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a) Legislative Report (information)

The Committee will receive a report summarizing legislative items of interest related to LAFCO’s regulatory and planning responsibilities. The report specifically highlights seven bills with potential material implications for LAFCOs, including two measures – AB 356 (Patel) and AB 448 (Patel) – that directly involve the Palomar Healthcare District. During the June 2, 2025 LAFCO meeting, the Commission formally voted to adopt a support position for AB 356, if amended, and AB 448. Information only. (Pages 35-104)

Contact: Joelle Burila, Analyst I

b) Current Workplan Update on High Priority Project |

Municipal Service Review on Healthcare Districts in San Diego County (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the current adopted workplan focusing on one of San Diego LAFCO’s highest placed priorities involving a Municipal Service Review (MSR) on the four healthcare districts in San Diego County including: Fallbrook, Palomar, Grossmont, and Tri-City. The review will be divided into two parts and will encompass: an overarching analysis of the district’s services (macro report), followed by a detailed examination (micro report). The update is provided for information with an opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback to staff on interests and/or priorities on behalf of special districts in San Diego County. (Pages 105-108)

Contact: Michaela Peters, Analyst II

BUSINESS ITEMS CONTINUED ...

**c) Current Workplan Update on High Priority Project |
Municipal Service Review on Wholesale Water Agencies in San Diego County (information)**

The Committee will receive an update on the current adopted workplan, with a focus on San Diego LAFCO's highest-priority project involving a Municipal Service Review (MSR) of wholesale water agencies operating within San Diego County. This MSR includes a comprehensive review of the San Diego County Water Authority (CWA) and a proportional review of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MET). The update is provided for information with an opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback to staff on interests and/or priorities on behalf of special districts in San Diego County. (Pages 109-112)

Contact: Priscilla Mumpower, Assistant Executive Officer

d) Special Governance Study on the Oceanside Small Craft Harbor District (discussion)

The Committee will review a preliminary scope of work involving a special governance study on the Oceanside Small Craft Harbor District (SCHD). This study ties to the Commission's adopted workplan and a formal recommendation adopted as part of the Municipal Service Review (MSR) on the Oceanside region. This item is presented to the Committee for discussion with an opportunity to offer input prior to staff finalizing the scope of work. (Pages 113-126)

Contact: Michaela Peters, Analyst II

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

8. ADJOURNMENT

Attest to Posting:



Erica Sellen
Committee Secretary

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